



## PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Health Care Authority (HCA), Medicaid Program

**Subject of possible rule making:**

WAC 182-550-1200 Restrictions on hospital coverage  
And possibly other related chapters and sections as necessary.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** Chapter 50, Laws of 2011 (2ESHB 1087, Section 213), RCW 41.05.021, 43.88.290

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:**

Pursuant to 2ESHB 1087, effective October 1, 2011, HCA is directed to restrict coverage of emergency room visits that do not meet the definition of emergency services according to WAC 182-550-1050.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** None.

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe)

HCA welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, HCA will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

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